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Rear Admiral R. H. Hillenkoetter
Director of Central Intelligence
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Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Hilly:

I have just learned that your office has prepared, apparently at the request of the Weapons Systems Evaluation Group, five studies dealing with various aspects of Soviet defensive air capabilities. I have reference to Intelligence Memoranda 236 through 240, produced by Dr. Machle's office.

I am sure you will agree that the Air Force has a great interest in studies of this nature inasmuch as we have the primary responsibility for the production of Air Intelligence. To the best of my knowledge, we were not even consulted during the preparation of these reports.

The list of CIA publications made available to us does not include your OSI studies, and we therefore became aware of the existence of the referenced Intelligence Memoranda only by accident. This points up another oversight: inadequate dissemination of OSI studies.

Certain parts of these Memoranda are to some extent outdated, and in our mutual effort to produce the best possible intelligence, I am sure you will understand my concern.

Your comments or any action deemed feasible to effect appropriate coordination in such matters will be appreciated.

Sincerely,

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Director of Intelligence

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